

Patent Claims:

1. Apparatus for depositing a sheet on a stack, preferably for the delivery unit
of a printing machine,
5 that comprises at least one stacking device which can be driven so as to
rotate about an axis of rotation in order to grasp and deposit the sheet, and
that comprises at least one drag element which is arranged on the stacking
device and carried along during rotation, whereby said drag element is
provided for shifting the last deposited sheet, in particular, for pulling said
10 sheet toward a stack abutment,
characterized in that
the at least one drag element is arranged, relative to the axis of rotation, on
a radial exterior side of at least one stacking member.
- 15 2. Apparatus as in Claim 1, **characterized in that** the stacking device
comprises at least one input means, into which the leading edge of a sheet
to be stacked can be fed, and that the drag element is arranged, relative to
the axis of rotation, on a radial exterior side of the at least one input means.
- 20 3. Apparatus as in Claim 2, **characterized in that** respectively one drag
element is arranged on each available input means.
4. Apparatus as in one of the previous claims, **characterized in that** the drag
element is substantially tongue-shaped.
- 25 5. Apparatus as in one of the previous claims, **characterized in that** the drag
element extends so as to project outward from the exterior side.
6. Apparatus as in Claims 4 and 5, **characterized in that** the drag element
30 extends at an acute angle (wedge angle) outward from the exterior side,
against the direction of rotation of the drivable stacking member.

7. Apparatus as in one of the previous claims, **characterized in that** the drag element features a rubber-like material.
8. Apparatus as in one of the previous claims, **characterized in that** the drag element features a metal reinforcement.

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